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SUBJECT: GSP-AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIALS

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1. EMBOFF ONCE AGAIN MET WITH FORMIN OFFICIALS TO
SORT OUT PROBLEMS WITH UNCTAD FORM A. WHILE VISIT
MAY HAVE FURTHER CLARIFIED TO SUDANGOV US RE-
QUIREMENTS IN THIS REGARD, WE ARE NOT YET CONVINCED
THAT SYSTEM WILL FUNCTION SMOOTHLY.

2. EMBOFF ATTEMPTED TO OBTAIN FORMIN SIGNATURE
SPECIMENS, AS SUGGESTED REF B PARA 5, BUT FORMIN
OFFICIAL SEEMED UNWILLING TO TAKE ANY ACTION WHICH
WOULD GIVE THE APPEARANCE OF SIDE-STEPPING MINISTRY OF
INDUSTRY OFFICIALS, WHO ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR SIGNING
FORM A. FORMIN ROLE IS LIMITED TO CERTIFYING
THAT MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY SIGNATURES ARE AUTHENTIC.
FORMIN OFFICIALS AGREED WITH EMBOFF THAT THIS
REQUIREMENT WAS UNNECESSARY, BOTH FOR US CUSTOMS
AUTHORITIES AND FROM FORMIN PROSPECTIVE, BUT IT
IS NOW STANDARD PRACTICE. MOST DOCUMENTS NOW SIGNED
BY MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY OFFICIALS FOR OVERSEAS ACTION
ARE CERTIFIED BY THE FORMIN; TO MAKE AN EXCEPTION FOR
UNCTAD FORM A DOCUMENTS DESTINED FOR THE US, WOULD, WE FEAR,
HOPELESSLY CONFUSE THE SITUATION.

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3. AS A RESULT, WE HAVE CONCLUDED THAT THE EXISTING
SYSTEM MUST CONTINUE TO BE USED, ALTHOUGH WITH MORE
ATTENTION FROM FORMIN OFFICIALS. MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY
HAS AUTHORIZED 3 NEW INDIVIDUALS TO SIGN FORM A AND EMBASSY
WILL TAKE THIS OCCASION TO EXPLAIN THE PROCEDURE TO THEM
DIRECTLY. SPECIMEN SIGNATURES WILL BE POUCHED FOR EB.

4. NONE OF THE ABOVE WOULD SEEM TO HELP MIRA INTERNATIONAL FOODS. SUDANESE EXPORTER SEEMS TO HANFUSED THE SITUATION BY REQUESTING CERTIFICATION (RATHER THAN SIGNATURE) OF MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY OFFICIALS. EXPORTER SHOULD ADVISE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY TO SIGN FORM A, AND THEN IF MIRA WISHES TO HAVE ITS SUPPLIER RESUBMIT UNCTAD DOCUMENT; WE WILL ATTEMPT TO SHEPHERD THE DOCUMENT THROUGH THE MAZE.

5. PER REF B PARA 6, WE WILL MAKE CONCERTED EFFORT TO OBTAIN COPY OF FORMIN SEAL, SINCE THIS WILL NORMALLY MEET CUSTOMS SERVICES REQUIREMENTS.
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